accelerate hydrocarbon exploration and production activities to meet our maximum requirement from indigenous sources, which include the following:

(i) Carving out more and more areas for exploration for offer under various rounds of New Exploration Licensing Policy (NELP) Coal Bed Methane (CBM).

(ii) Quicker development of discovered reserves for enabling commencement of production.

(iii) Use of stimulation techniques for increasing production from existing fields.

(iv) Application of Enhanced Oil Recovery (EOR)/ Improved Oil Recovery (IOR) techniques for increasing recovery factor from existing fields.

(v) Arresting decline from ageing fields.

(vi) Acquisition of exploration acreages and producing properties overseas to bring in equity oil.

(vii) Substitution of oil through use of non-conventional source of energy such as bio-diesel, ethanol etc. Extraction of gas from gas hydrates under National Gas Hydrates Programme (NGHP) by evolving suitable production technology.

(c) As far as NELP regime is concerned 66 Oil/gas discoveries have been made so far. A total of 650 Million Metric Tonnes (MMT) Oil + Oil Equivalent of Gas (O+OEG) has accrued and development plans for 6 oil/gas discoveries have been approved. Few oil and gas discoveries are already on production.

Barmer to Salaya oil pipeline

425. SHRI PRAKASH JAVADEKAR: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that BSPL (Barmer to Salaya) pipeline is covered under Field Development Plan (FDP);

(b) the details of concessions made in this project because of FDP status;

(c) whether it is also a fact that in this project Landfall point is allowed to be shifted up to the part instead of usual point; and

(d) the reasons for making such an exception?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI DINSHA J. PATEL): (a) The Government has agreed to shift the delivery point from the Field in Barmer to Salaya subject to certain terms and conditions. The contractor has not yet submitted the revised FDP, including Barmer Salaya pipeline, for approval of the Management Committee, as required under the Production Sharing Contract (PSC).

(b) to (d) Shifting of the Delivery Point was agreed to by the Government subject to certain terms and conditions and to facilitate development and production of oil from the block RJ-ON-90/1.